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SUBJ: CODEL WOLFF

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AND ALL PREVIOUS

1. RE PARA 3 (B), REF A, EMBASSY HAD ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT WITH PRIMIN FUKUDA FOR SATURDAY MORNING, AND WHEN APPRISED OF CHANGE AT REQUEST OF PRIMIN'S OFFICE REFLECTED IN REF B, HAD URGED THAT MEETING BE RESET FOR SATURDAY MORNING IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. FONOFF HAS INFORMED US THAT MUCH TO ITS REGRET IT IS VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO ARRANGE MEETING AT ANY TIME OTHER THAN 1730 FRIDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 8. PARLIAMENTARY SCHEDULE AS WELL AS TRADITION CALLS FOR PRIMIN'S ATTENDANCE AT DIET HEARINGS ON SATURDAY MORNING AND FUKUDA FEELS COMPELLED TO BE PRESENT IN ORDER NOT TO ANTAGONIZE OPPOSITION AND JEOPARDIZE PASSAGE OF KEY LEGISLATIVE MEASURES.

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2. BECAUSE CODEL WILL HAVE VERY LIMITED TIME TO MEET WITH JAPANESE OTHER THAN TOP GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP, EMBASSY IS INVITING SEVERAL REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS IN SATURDAY LUNCH FORMAT, AFFORDING CONGRESSMEN AND STAFF OPPORTUNITY FOR EXTENDED INDIVIDUAL CONVERSATIONS. GUEST LISTS ARE NOT YET FIRM, AND ATTENDANCE AT LUNCHESES BY CONGRESSMEN AND STAFF IS OF COURSE OPTIONAL. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FROM BROWN-LAMBERTSON TELECON APRIL 5 (TOKYO TIME) THAT CONGRESSMEN

WOLFF, GOODLING, EVANS, MEYNER AND BIAGGI ANTICIPATE ATTENDING LUNCHES AND THAT CONGRESSMEN HORTON AND GILMAN ARE TENTATIVE. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY PROPOSES THREE LUNCHES, AS FOLLOWS:

A. LUNCH HOSTED BY ECONOMIC MINISTER-COUNSELOR JACK BUTTON AT HIS RESIDENCE FOR SELECTED TOP BUSINESS LEADERS.

B. LUNCH HOSTED BY MINISTER COUNSELOR FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS WILLIAM D. MILLER AT HIS RESIDENCE FOR INTELLECTUALS CONCERNED WITH SECURITY MATTERS.

C. LUNCH HOSTED BY POLITICAL COUNSELOR ALBERT L. SELIGMANN AT INTERNATIONAL HOUSE FOR MIDDLE-LEVEL LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY PARLIAMENTARIANS, INCLUDING DR. TARO NAKAYAMA, DIRECTOR OF UPPER HOUSE BUDGET COMMITTEE (MET CHAIRMAN WOLFF IN WASHINGTON LAST YEAR). NAMES OF OTHER DIET MEMBERS WILL BE SENT AS SOON AS KNOWN (PARA 3D, E, REF A).

D. EFFORTS TO ARRANGE LUNCH FEATURING SOCIALIST PARTY DIET MEMBERS, VERY FEW OF WHOM SPEAK ENGLISH, HAVE UNFORTUNATELY NOT BEEN FRUITFUL, INASMUCH AS MOST LIKELY PROSPECTS WILL BE RETURNING TO HOME CONSTITUENCIES IMMEDIATELY AFTER MORNING DIET SESSION.

3. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, EMBASSY WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE INDICATION SOONEST WHICH CONGRESSMEN AND STAFFERS (ABOUT FOUR PER LUNCH) WISH TO ATTEND EACH OF THREE LUNCHES ABOVE. WE WOULD ALSO BE PLEASED TO INCLUDE GOVERNOR MEYNER SHOULD HE SO DESIRE.

4. IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA 2, REF A, WE HAVE MADE NO ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETING WITH PRESS. WEEKEND PRESS CONFERENCE MAY BE DIFFICULT TO ORGANIZE AT SHORT NOTICE -- PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF EASTER HOLIDAY, AS FAR AS AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS CONCERNED. ACCORDINGLY, IF PRE-DEPARTURE (I.E., SATURDAY AFTERNOON) PRESS CONFERENCE DE-

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SIRE, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE AS MUCH ADVANCE NOTICE AS FEASIBLE.

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